

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (original) A woven scrim made of thermoplastic tapes, said tapes being woven so as to form a plurality of oblique bands on a surface of said scrim, comprising:

- (a) a first set of tapes generally parallel to each other;
- (b) a second set of tapes generally parallel to each other and perpendicular to said first set of tapes;
- (c) said tapes in said first set forming a repeating pattern of units comprising crossings-over and crossings-under of said tapes of said second set, each of said units comprising a sequential crossing-over of at least two and crossing-under of at least one, successive tapes in said second set;
- (d) said pattern, with respect to each successive tape in said first set, being shifted in position by at least one tape of said second set; and
- (e) said crossings-over of said tapes of said first set collectively forming said oblique bands on said surface of said scrim.

2. (original) A woven scrim according to claim 1 wherein each of said units comprises a sequential crossing-over of two and crossing-under of two successive tapes in said second set.

3. (original) A woven scrim according to claim 1 wherein each of said units comprises a sequential crossing-over of three and crossing-under of three successive tapes in said second set.

4. (original) A woven scrim according to claim 1 wherein each of said units comprises a sequential crossing-over of four and crossing-under of four successive tapes in said second set.

5. (original) A woven scrim according to claim 1 wherein each of said units comprises a sequential crossing-over of three and crossing-under of one successive tapes in said second set.

6. (original) A woven scrim according to claim 1 wherein each of said units comprises a sequential crossing-over of one and crossing-under of two and crossing-over of two and crossing-under of one successive tapes in said second set.

7. (original) A woven scrim according to claim 1 wherein each of said units comprises a sequential crossing-over of one and crossing-under of three and crossing-over of three and crossing-under of one successive tapes in said second set.

8. (original) A woven scrim made of thermoplastic tapes, comprising:

- (a) a plurality of warp tapes in a substantially parallel side-by-side relationship;
- (b) a plurality of weft tapes in a substantially parallel side-by-side relationship;
- (c) said warp tapes and said weft tapes being woven together in a twill weave.

9. (currently amended) A woven scrim according to claim 1-~~or~~ 8 wherein said tapes have a width in the range of 1 to 10 mm.

10. (currently amended) A woven scrim according to claim 1-~~or~~ 8 wherein said tapes have a thickness in the range of 0.02 to 0.1 mm

11. (canceled)

12. (canceled)

13. (currently amended) A woven scrim according to claim 1-~~or~~ 8 wherein said tapes comprise polyolefin resin.

14. (canceled)

15. (canceled)

16. (canceled)

17. (canceled)

18. (currently amended) A woven scrim according to claim 1-~~or~~ 8 wherein said scrim further includes reinforcing threads or reinforcing tapes grouped with at least some of said tapes of said scrim.

19. (currently amended) A woven scrim according to claim 1-~~or~~ 8 wherein said scrim further includes reinforcing threads or reinforcing tapes replacing at least some of said tapes of said scrim.

20. (currently amended) A woven scrim according to claim 18 ~~or~~ 19 wherein some of said tapes are warp tapes and said reinforcing threads or reinforcing tapes replace at least some of said warp tapes.

21. (original) A woven scrim according to claim 20 wherein said reinforcing threads or reinforcing tapes replace at least some of said warp tapes proximate to outer edges of said woven scrim.

22. (currently amended) A woven scrim according to claim 18 any one of claims 18-24 wherein said reinforcing tapes or reinforcing threads comprise polyolefin resin.

23. (currently amended) A woven scrim according to claim 18 any one of claims 18-24 wherein said reinforcing tapes or reinforcing threads comprise polyester resin.

24. (currently amended) A fabric comprising a woven scrim according to claim 1-~~or~~ 8 laminated on one or both sides thereof to a waterproof thermoplastic film.

25. (original) A fabric according to claim 24 wherein said film comprises polyolefin resin.

26. (canceled)

27. (canceled)

28. (currently amended) A fabric comprising a woven scrim according to claim 1-~~or~~ 8 laminated on one or both sides thereof to a layer of slip-resistant material.

29. (currently amended) A fabric comprising a woven scrim according to claim 1-~~or~~ 8 laminated on at least one side thereof to a metalized film.

30. (currently amended) A fabric comprising a woven scrim according to claim 1-~~or~~ 8 laminated on one or both sides thereof to a layer of water-absorbent material.

31. (original) A fabric according to claim 30 wherein said water-absorbent material is paper.

32. (canceled)

33. (currently amended) The use of the scrim of claim 1-~~or~~ 8 as an industrial fabric, construction fabric or landfill cover.

34. (currently amended) The use of the fabric of claim 24 ~~any one of claims 24-32~~ as an industrial fabric, tarpaulin, landfill cover, construction fabric or agricultural fabric.